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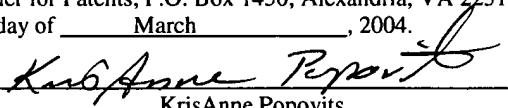
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of three (3) months (from January 3, 2004 to April 3, 2004) within which to respond to Office Action dated October 3, 2003. A check in the amount of \$475 is enclosed herewith to cover the extension fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 04-1420.

Respectfully submitted,

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